

as president and brother Samuel Lichty as head of Law Enforcement committee and myself on committee of Enrollment; with about the same ratio of officers from each of the other churches. The enrollment reached on that occasion 125 and is steadily increasing. So brethren, we are getting ready for the fight and we are going to win. Pray for us.

J. ELWOOD BRAKER.

#### Kanemorado Echoes

Springtime with all its attractiveness is upon us, and the loveliness which these broad prairies present to the eye is inappreciable to one not accustomed to the view. Joy and gladness seem stamped upon everything. Leaving home early in April I paid a visit to Bethany in Brown Co., Kans., a charge under the supervision of Elder John H. Burnworth. The beautiful little church house is located on the grounds occupied by the one swept away by that very destructive cyclone of May 1896. Found a little band of very warm hearted and appreciative brethren and sisters, wide awake especially in temporal affairs, a little more zeal in spiritual things would add much for the growth of Zion. It is located in a garden spot of the great west and is improved and beautiful as only the hand of thrift and enterprise can develop a country. April was very unfavorable indeed for meetings, raining almost daily during almost the entire month. From Bethany we visited Hamlin, but for the rain only could give them one meeting. While here I think the heaviest rain fell I ever witnessed in Kansas, and for the first time in nearly twenty years did we enter into a cyclone cellar, during a storm. The rain and the hail fell in torrents and in a very short time flooded everything. The little streams rose into sweeping torrents. Fences and everything in their course was demolished. The railroad track in large sections was swept out, delaying trains for about twenty four hours. From Hamlin we visited Pony Creek with a view of holding with the Brethren a love feast, but the rain pour continuing the feast was deferred. We preached three times for them, on Friday evening, Sunday at eleven o'clock, and at night of the same day. Pony Creek has an excellent Sunday school, superintended by our beloved brother, Allen Lichty, who is a host in the work. This is the section of cattle feeding. Almost in adjoining lots was to be seen between 1300 and 1400 large beef cattle soon to be shipped to the market. I really thought had our blessed Lord been making a visit thru this section, he would have been compelled to administer some of his withering rebukes against riches. Hospitality and kindness cannot be excelled anywhere, but I fear "The inhabitants of Nineveh and the queen of Sheba" will rise up in judgment and condemn many of us of this generation. "First seek the kingdom of God and his righteousness," is just as imperative now as when Jesus walked and talked amid the hills and valleys of Judea. From here we journeyed over into the state of

Nebraska to hold in the church at Falls City the first "Bible and Missionary Conference" of the Kanemorado District. Here we found our beloved brother J. E. Braker, a live, warm hearted, spiritual brother, who will write up the meeting held with them. Our meetings were attended by the sisters well, and participated in with much zeal. God bless them, "they did what they could," and they will not lose their reward. The brethren were too busily engaged preparatory to corn planting to attend the day meetings and not all of them of evenings. Our program was an interesting one, and we were very ably assisted by the Methodist and Baptist pastors of the city. Our beloved sister, Ellen Gnagey Lichty, and her zealous enterprising husband were with us, and added much to the spiritual enthusiasm of the occasion. Homeward bound, preached at Godfrey, Kans., Bourbon Co., Sunday morning and evening, at Ellis, Mo., Monday evening. Will try to present Christ as our only Savior to the people of Centerview, Mo., on Sunday of May 13 and continue the meetings for some days.

A. J. HIXSON, D. E.

#### Conemaugh, Pa.

Our communion of May 6, 1900, is now a thing of the past. It was the best and most spiritual one I think we ever held here. It was well attended but by no means what it should have been and those who missed it are the losers. Sickness, indifference, etc., kept some away. But all who participated enjoyed it as a feast of divine things.

There is a time coming when many will be very sorry and sad for neglecting these weightier matters because of some little trivial matter. Then there will be many regrets of lost opportunities. Then to add to the enjoyment of the service, when we were about ready to separate we sang a hymn of invitation and a young lady made the good confession and came out boldly on the Lord's side. This young lady was raised a Catholic and was at one time in a convent in Pittsburg and at present she has a sister younger than herself now in the same convent.

Some may wonder how she became interested in Protestantism. She came to this town about the beginning of the year 1900, and became acquainted with some of our young people and they invited her along with them to church and she heard the plain gospel, and we made her welcome, and step by step was she led by the Word and the Holy Spirit until May 12, 1900, she was buried with Christ by baptism, and at our Sunday evening service of May 13, 1900, she was confirmed and received into full fellowship into the Brethren church. So the Lord is still adding to the church such as want to be saved. There are still others who need salvation and some we think will soon give their hearts to God. More anon.

J. F. KOONTZ.

#### From the North

One of the many things I have to thank the good Lord for is, the church, the king-

dom of God here on earth, that sweet fellowship which I for one experience even in writing to them. In writing to them there is a sweet fellowship that seems to go right down from my heart to my hand into the pen and I do hope thru on by the spirit of God into the hearts of those I love so dearly. When I realize that Christ established a kingdom on earth and that there are many in that kingdom, and then I compare God's kingdom here on earth with the kingdom of the world the subjects of each, oh, how glad I am, that it is my privilege to belong, to be a subject of God's kingdom, and to address those of the Father's kingdom. There is of necessity a sweet fellowship among the subjects of that kingdom. Let us strive to be worthy of a place in the kingdom of God's dear son. May the good Lord help us so to live that it will be a glory to him that he created us.

We haven't very much special news from this part of the vineyard. Will say that we have services every two weeks at Bethel and a lively S. S., and great interest in the lessons about our Savior. Hope all may see so much beauty in him that they will all want to be like him. Amen.

WALTER CLARK.

#### Dowagiac, Mich.

#### Parkersburg, Va.

I was fortunate enough to accompany Brother Henry B. Wise to Wirt Co., West Va., on April 29, and we there held three meetings, and two came out on the Lord's side, a young man and lady. The writer returned to the same church on May 12, and baptised those two precious souls, and held a communion which was a feast indeed. Elder Showalter is the elder of the church, but owing to affliction he is not able to attend regularly, and the church called the writer to preach for them every four weeks.

We rarely see anything in the EVANGELIST from West Va., and I feel deeply interested in this church. All is love and union with them, and I think the name is synonymous, i. e. "prosperity." We think by proper management that this church will become strong numerically and spiritually. It is strong now, old and young are united in the work. May the Lord bless and add strength and give all her officers wisdom and much grace is my prayer.

SIMON MIKESELL.

#### Mound City, Mo.

I thought I would like to write a few lines for your most welcome paper which I take and love to read, altho not having a church of our own choice here, we have no church news to report, but that Brother Braker and wife of Falls City, Neb., came and preached three most excellent sermons, beginning April 21 at night, Sunday morning and at night, on the subject of, "The New Life in Christ," which was enjoyed by all present. We would be glad to have any of the ministering brethren come and preach for us who can.

M. L. NORMAN.